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## Stennis experiences explosive impact

New figures indicate the John C. Stennis Space Center brought \$438M to Hancock.

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The King and Queen of the Krewe of Nereids make their royal debut at the ball.

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### Krewe of Selene parades Feb. 10

The Krewe of Selene kicks off the Mardi Gras season in Hancock County this Saturday, Feb. 10, when it parades through Diamondhead, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Burger King and winding through the shopping center area and through Diamondhead, ending at the country club.

### Sweethearts at Bay High dance

The junior class at Bay High School will host its first annual Sweetheart Pageant this Saturday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. Admission is \$6. Sponsors are Jennifer Bass and Jenie Richard. Contestants are Bay High students in grades 9-12. The general public is invited.

### King's Corner Outreach events

King's Corner Christian Outreach and Coffeehouse at Hwy. 90 West will host minister Ron Meyer and singer/guitarist Billy Petry today and tomorrow, beginning at 7 p.m. each night.

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1946 bust of Booker T. Washington.



Thelma Landry, 72, left, stands next to her own bust as she speaks Wednesday at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library to students from DeLisle Elementary School about her experiences when, while she was 36, internationally-renowned artist Richmond Barthé sculpted it.



Celestine "Teeny" Labat, 102, speaks to DeLisle Elementary students Wednesday about Barthé's life and work. Not only did she know the artist and his family, she said, but he also used two of her sisters as models for his works. The students were at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library to view the exhibit of Barthé's work, which marks both his 100th birthday and Black History month. Due to overwhelming demand and community interest, the library will continue the exhibit through the end of February.

Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher

## Waste plan has everything now but the kitchen sink

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

A new day has dawned for wastewater treatment in Hancock County, which planners hope will mean a brighter future for economic development.

After months of meetings between the United States Environmental Protection Agency Gulf of Mexico Program, Hancock County wastewater districts, cities and officials with input from the Department of Marine

Resources, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, the Mississippi State Health Department and others, GMP Deputy Director Bryon Griffith presented their comprehensive plan for future wastewater treatment for the county on Tuesday to a packed house which included the Hancock County Board of Supervisors.

Highlights of the plan include centralized wastewater treatment for the entire county

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## Gulfview students injured in crash

Biloxi motorist released on bond

BY GEOFF BELCHER  
News Editor

A Biloxi man was released from the Hancock County Justice Facility on a \$500 bond yesterday after allegedly slamming into a school bus loaded with students from Gulfview Elementary, sending ten of the children to the hospital complaining of neck injuries.

"The bus was stopped (on Lower Bay Rd.) when a gentleman came through ... and hit the bus," Hancock County Schools Assistant Superintendent Eddie Danzey said from

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## Zoning plan may disappear

BY MARY G. SEILEY  
Staff Writer

Only seconds away from wrapping up a 10-year, \$200,000 process, Bay St. Louis leaders backed away from finalizing zoning for the vast Casino Magic acreage in a Tuesday vote.

Frustration over the last-minute snag was evident, as council members raised their voices and demanded almost immediate action to clear the way for adoption of a plan.

Still, even new procedural

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## Bay P.D.'s John Pursley dies of cancer at age 29

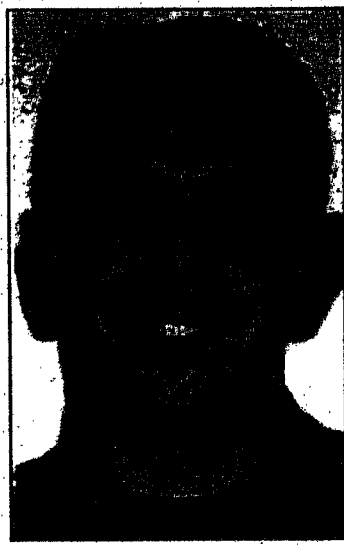
BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

On Sunday, the Bay St. Louis Police Department lost a promising young officer and a family lost a beloved father. Officer John E. Pursley, 29, died at Gulf Park Memorial Hospital on Sunday, Feb. 4 after a year-and-a-half battle with cancer.

"He was an excellent officer, a fine officer," said Chief Frank McNeil on Wednesday. "He came to us about two and a half years ago and went through the academy with flying colors, he was a good, solid police officer."

"It is such a tragedy that such a young man with his

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Officer John E. Pursley

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# Space Center's local impact placed at \$438 million

## Newly-released figures indicate Stennis had \$615M on world's economy last year alone

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

The John C. Stennis Space Center in Hancock County had a local economic impact of \$438 million last year and a direct global impact of \$615 million.

Partners for Stennis Chairman Roy Keller announced the latest economic indicators in a news conference at the space center last Friday. Keller, of the Louisiana Business and Technology Center, was joined by Roy Estess, director of SSC, and his assistant, Jon Roth, and Rear Adm. Thomas Donaldson, Commander of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command at Stennis.

NASA gathers its yearly impact data and compiles it with economic information from the more than 30 other resident agencies and seven major contractors based at Stennis. The information is provided to Dr. Charles Campbell, professor of economics at Mississippi State University.

Campbell then analyzes the information and provides an assessment of the center's total economic impact.

Keller said the \$438 million impact was found within a 50-

mile radius of Stennis, and was up considerably from the \$405 million economic impact reported last year. The area studied included Hancock, Harrison and Pearl River in Mississippi and St. Tammany Parish in Louisiana.

NASA led spending in the local economy impact area, reporting \$186 million or 42 percent of the \$438 million spent locally. The U.S. Navy's impact was \$137 million or 39 percent. Other agencies spent \$47 million.

Construction of facilities accounted for \$18 million or four percent of spending. The U.S. Department of Commerce spent \$11 million or three percent, and the U.S. Army, \$3 million.

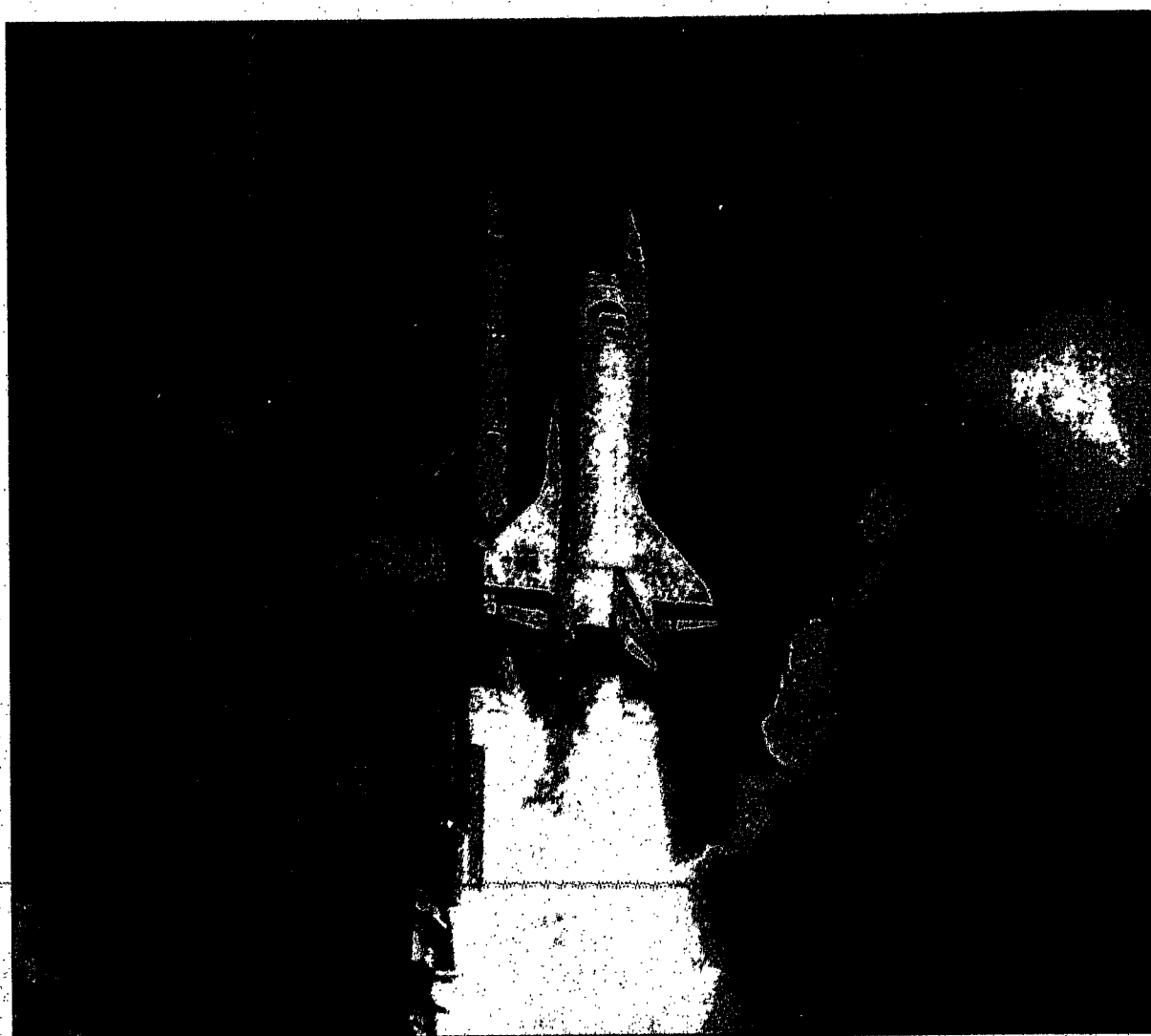
The report for Fiscal Year 2000, which ended Sept. 30, said the center employed a total of 4,558 last year and gave this distribution of there: residents: 1,277 lived in Pearl River County; 966 lived in St. Tammany Parish; 966 in Hancock County; 890 in Harrison County; 235 lived elsewhere in Louisiana; 168 lived elsewhere in Mississippi; and 56 lived in states other than Mississippi or Louisiana.

Of the 4,558 employees at Stennis, 37 percent were involved in scientific and engineering fields; 29 percent were technicians or were involved in craft or production trades; 18 percent worked as business professionals; 10 percent held clerical positions and six percent were employed in other areas.

Among the civil service and military employees, six percent held doctorate degrees; 18 percent held a master's degree; 34 percent held a bachelor's degree; and nine percent held an associate's degree.

The annual report estimated that area employment would have been reduced by 24,121 jobs if Stennis had not been in operation during the last fiscal year, and personal income would have been reduced more than \$807 million. In addition, retail sales would have been reduced by more than \$323 million. Estimates are Stennis has a tax revenue impact of \$87 million on local government revenues.

Partners for Stennis is a group of Mississippi and Louisiana community leaders that support and enhance the development of agencies and programs at Stennis.



## Pursley

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whole career ahead of him had his life cut short ... in a larger department people may not be as close, but in our small department, it is devastating - he will be sadly missed by all of us."

Pursley left behind two children, Jordan, age 8; and Alysha, age six. A memorial fund for their benefit has been established at Hancock Bank. Donations to the John E. Pursley Memorial Fund may be

made at any Hancock branch. For more information please contact the Administrative Offices of the Bay St. Louis Police Department at 467-9221. For complete funeral information, see page 6.

## RV tax discussed by supers

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

There is a glimmer of hope that Hancock County's Tourism Development Bureau may find a new funding source.

At last Monday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors, District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour opened up a new possibility.

Beth Carriere, Executive Director of the Tourism Development Bureau came before supervisors to explain state and local funding is drying up, and new revenue sources must be found in order to continue promoting Hancock County.

Carriere said the state has slashed \$1.6 million from the tourism budget that had previously been available for distribution among cities and counties which have tourism agencies.

In the past, Carriere said, Hancock County could corner about \$150,000 in matching funds from the state, but those funds are no longer available. "That represents about 50 percent of our advertising budget," Carriere told supervisors.

She said the two percent tax on hotels, motels and bed-and-breakfast inns in Hancock County is also not bringing in the expected revenue.

"That's because we only have 800 rooms in Hancock County compared to the thousands that are available in nearby Harrison County," Carriere said. Her latest estimates show the tax generated \$9,137 last October, compared to \$14,883 it generated in October of 1999.

The Tourism Development Bureau was created in 1996 with seed money of \$25,000 from the county, \$25,000 from the city of Bay St. Louis and \$36,000 from Casino Magic.

Carriere has made several requests for the county and the Bay to increase their annual contributions, but the pleas have fallen on deaf ears.

Seymour said it is difficult for local hotels to compete with the Grand's Oasis in Gulfport, which can offer cheaper room rates and casino packages.

Seymour brought up the possibility of levying a \$1 a day charge on those visitors using RV parks in Hancock County.

But, he said he would not support the tax unless campers using Buccaneer State Park would also be subject to the fee.

County attorney Gerald Gex was asked to get an opinion from the state Attorney General's office on whether the county can levy a tax on people using a state park. "If the park is exempt, I'm 100 percent against it," said Seymour.

If the tax is ruled legal, the local legislative delegation

would have to sponsor enabling legislation in the current regular session in order for it to be levied.

Carriere estimated there are about 800 RV campsites in Hancock County, and the county attracts a lot of visitors who only stay one day, then go on to other attractions.

The \$1 a day levy was also supported by Jeanna Tribble, director of marketing for Casino Magic.

Tribble said there are about 100 RV campsites at Casino Magic, in addition to plans to build a 300-room hotel.

In a previous letter to supervisors, Carriere had proposed a two percent tax on RVs and on vacation rental homes. She said those facilities are benefiting from the Bureau's advertising, but do not contribute to its operations.

Tribble, who also serves on the Tourism Bureau's Board of Directors, later said, "Casino Magic supports any alternative means, including the two percent tax, to offset the Bureau's loss of funding."

District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas didn't seem too supportive of the \$1-a-day levy. "People are so taxed out," Cuevas said.

Board President Rocky Pullman complimented Carriere and her staff job they are doing. But, he added, "We can't compete against Harrison County in marketing."

In other business, supervisors were briefed on the status of plans to pump in a sand beach from Bayou Caddy to Sand Bayou.

Larry Lewis, with architect's Brown and Mitchell, said the project would be undertaken in two phases, since there is some objection to going all the way to Sand Bayou. He said plans are to permit the whole 1.06-mile-length of the beach, but if the county delays the second phase, the permit would still be good for three years.

Lewis said the first phase would pump in a sand beach from Bayou Caddy to Lakeshore Road, then from Lakeshore Road to Sand Bayou. He said plans are to bid out the project by the end of this month, and work could begin sometime in March.

On motion by Seymour, supervisors passed a resolution asking the legislature to consider hiring someone full-time to inspect the jails around the state.

Currently, Jackson attorney Ronald Welch, who specializes in prisoners' rights litigation, is the only person inspecting jails, and he charges \$3,000 a pop. "That's \$246,000 for the state's 82 counties," said Seymour. He suggested the state establish an

inspector position and pay the person \$50,000-a-year.

Seymour didn't get support on another motion, however. He moved to advertise for an attorney to handle the county's planning and zoning issues for a retainer of \$600-a-month.

Currently, John Scaife serves as the attorney for the Planning and Zoning Commission. He is paid a retainer of \$200 a month, but frequently bills for more time since he attends all Commission meeting and later prepares minutes of the procedures.

At Monday's meeting, Scaife submitted a bill for \$347 extra, and Seymour made his motion to advertise for another attorney. The motion died for lack of a second, but Seymour later voted against on another motion to pay Scaife the \$347.

The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission came before supervisors with a full plate of issues. Executive Director Hal Walters gained approval of resolutions:

• Authorizing the Commission to apply for a Community Development Block grant to upgrade Road B and improve infrastructure to accommodate a future tenant at Port Bienville Industrial Park, and another state grant to upgrade water and sewer infrastructure in the northern end of the park where an existing industry wants to expand.

• Authorizing a change order on the contract for the Wellman Storage Track Addition and upgrading the rail to handle 286,000 pound cars. The deal is contingent on BP Amoco, which is Wellman's major supplier, providing \$900,000 for the rail upgrade and returning \$76,165 to the Port for the rails, spikes and other equipment which will be pulled up and salvaged.

Before adjourning until Feb. 20, supervisors declared Monday, Feb. 19, a county holiday in celebration of President's Day in the nation.

## Correction: Waveland Little League Baseball registration, volunteers needed

Waveland Little League Baseball has registration for Tee Ball League 5-6; Minor League 7-8; Minor League 9-10 and Junior League 11-12 every Saturday in February, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in Elwood Bourgeois Park, Waveland Ball Field and McDonald's,

Hwy. 90. Early registration fees for February will be \$30 for the first child, \$20 for the second, and \$10 for each additional child.

Parents should bring the original birth certificate if available. An original will be

needed before season starts. Volunteers are needed for manager, coaches, assistant coaches, umpire, scorekeeper, parents auxiliary and anyone interested in helping.

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## Zoning -- Bay Magic

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and legal hoops appeared on the horizon of a seemingly endless maze that has ensnared the incumbent council and previous office holders. The issues are so politically hot and divisive that several of the council members challenged their own legal counsels' advice this week on several points.

The complexities of dealing with the territory that the city annexed in the early 1990's have been almost as vast as the acreage itself. But within the past year, council has at last reached a consensus that appeared to please everyone involved: Casino Magic, the Bay St. Louis Community Association, and owners of adjoining single family residential properties.

Last month, the city's Planning and Zoning Commission approved council's idea: Zone the floating casino's marina area for gambling, the immediately adjoining area for "resort" uses associated with the casino, and preclude additional casinos from docking alongside. It was a position outlined by Ward 4 Councilman Tad Black in great detail and accepted by council as a whole after years of acrimony.

The P & Z Commission also agreed with the idea that the waters adjacent to the lands at issue should carry the same type of zoning as the land the water touches -- a move that would carry the Bay St. Louis case all the way to Harrison County and, presumably, keep any gambling barges from docking along the seawall or inland in the area at issue.

In meetings Monday and Tuesday nights, however, the basic scenario to accomplish those goals hit heavy seas. First, the lawyer that the city has hired to defend the city's plans for future development ran headlong into opposition from council members.

Councilmen Tad Black and James Thriffley sided with the Bay St. Louis Community Association's contention that the city's foundation for zoning the area -- the Comprehensive Plan -- should be amended. That's what the association has requested in exchange for dropping the association's "bill of exceptions" filed in Circuit Court last year. The amendments would erase a "special use" designation for the annexed area, and impose the specifics of the zoning plan.

While that may seem to be an insignificant distinction to the public at-large, it's a major issue to the Bay St. Louis Community Association. The group, a watchdog association of local residents opposed to any new casinos in town, insists that the Comprehensive Plan is flawed unless it reflects the exact zoning plan for the territory.

Monday night, city special counsel Warren Hengen said the opposite is true: The plan is supposed to be general and flexible; the zoning specific. To do otherwise, he advised, would leave the city open to challenges on down the road from other property owners.

Revamping the Comprehensive Plan to accommodate the Community

Association's concerns, he said, would mean the city would have to "start all over again" in devising the preliminary plan. He repeatedly advised council to proceed with zoning the annexed area, and let the association's challenge work its way through court.

Black and Thriffley insisted, however, the city could lay the controversy to rest by simply changing the Comprehensive Plan's depiction of the area at issue from a "special use" territory to the detailed zoning layout on the table for action.

That, said Thriffley, would "eliminate a crack in the wall" legally. No, Hengen responded, then the city would face possibly endless legal challenges.

In an unusual exchange that followed, the Community Association's attorney, Reilly Morse, was invited to council's table to participate in the debate. "You need to make the Comprehensive Plan congruent with the zoning," said Morse, advising council to "find a way to make it happen" before imposing the zoning.

Thriffley said he was ready to amend the plan Tuesday, and zone the area at the same time. "I think that would end it, and I don't think any judge in his right mind would have an objection," he said.

Tuesday night, Black and Thriffley moved to do just that and sought to alter the zoning designation previously proposed for a tiny "bow tie" piece of land on the map, from "resort" zoning to single family residential.

At that point, however, city

attorney John Scafide said council can't proceed to act until the zoning proposal is "structured as an ordinance," including legal descriptions for each of the three designations at issue, and the "where-as-es and so forth."

Black and Thriffley appeared confounded at that news, saying Scafide had known for weeks that council was ready to finalize the zoning plan.

Scafide said council has had so many varying versions of the plan and text changes under consideration, he hadn't seen any justification to spend time preparing the final documents.

Black's outline of the zoning boundaries, using streets and linear footage to designate the particulars, isn't legally sufficient and perhaps not even accurate, Scafide warned.

Council President Bill Taylor joined Thriffley and Black in expressing frustration at that point.

"We're interested in getting this done as soon as possible," said Taylor, telling Scafide to work on drafting the final ordinance and amending the Comprehensive Plan as well.

Scafide promised to have the documents ready by council's next meeting, but questioned whether they could proceed to amend the Comprehensive Plan without another advertised public hearing.

Black withdrew his motion to proceed Tuesday night, but substituted another: Directing Scafide to complete all necessary paperwork by council's Feb. 20th meeting.




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## Bay council retires veteran K-9 officer

BY MARY G. SEILEY  
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis City Council agreed Tuesday to lease-purchase 14 new police cars, and buy a three-year-old German Shepherd dog for \$15,000.

The cars, Chevrolet Impalas, will replace an aging and ailing fleet of Ford Crown Victoria automobiles the Police Department now uses. City Council members have cringed in recent months as repair bills for some of the old cars have mounted.

Mayor Eddie Favre said financing for the new vehicles would be through Hancock Bank, which submitted a low interest rate bid of 5.17 percent. The arrangement will cost the city \$58,703 annually for five years, the mayor said. DeRussy Motors in Waveland will supply the new cars, under a state contract price.

Meanwhile, the city agreed to pay \$7,000 for a new dog, enabling the city to retire "Zaro" after several years of service. Actually, council agreed to declare "Zaro" as surplus, and turn him over to his official handler, Officer Paul Cox.

Police Chief Frank McNeil said that Zaro, now over seven years old, has a hip displacement problem and recently lost a big tooth during a training exercise. Like aging football players, the chief said, police dogs lead rigorous lives and finally tire out. The replacement canine will be the city's fourth.

After some additional training, the new dog will assume duties as a drug-detector, and aid in search and rescue missions, McNeil said. "All of the dogs we have had have been a tremendous asset," said the chief, who said only the local department but other area law enforcement officials as well.

Aside from sniffing out illegal drugs, the dogs are trained to help find missing persons through tracking, including people who have wandered off, and criminal suspects.

McNeil said. In other business Tuesday, consulting engineer James Chiniche gave council members construction estimates for additional drainage work alongside four streets: St. John and Easterbrook in Ward 3, and Citizen and Ballentine in Ward 4.

While copies of the estimates were not immediately available, council member Tad Black indicated a total estimate of \$1 million for the work. With that price tag, council is resurrecting the idea of issuing additional general obligation bonds to pay for the work.

Chiniche said the city would need easements on 12 parcels of land to proceed with the work, replacing open ditches with concrete culverts. He was authorized to begin survey work associated with the project.

Council also called for investigation into whether the city could go forward with additional bonds under a previous

authorization it issued last year.

Without stating a reason for his vote, council member Doug Seal voted against proceeding with the additional drainage projects.

In another matter, council agreed to allow officials of the local Girls Little League to retrieve certain items the group contends it provided at McDonald Field. The city instituted a new baseball program at the field, when discord clouded the previous program.

Little League representative Herb Sires offered a long list of items his group wants to retrieve, and indicated they had been forbidden to remove the property.

Favre and council members said they would work with Sires to turn over what ever is due to the group -- except for an ice making machine the League had claimed to own. That machine, said Favre, was purchased by the city and will remain at the baseball facility.

In other business Tuesday, council:

- Agreed to a one-year extension of the 2 percent hotel and motel tax, with revenues going to the county tourism promotion bureau.

- Discussed possible rezoning for a portion of Blue Meadow Road, between Casino Magic Drive and Bay High School. The change under discussion would impose neighborhood commercial zoning on that area, rather than the existing residential classification.

## Hancock deputies help Harrison sheriff chase bank robber to La.

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

The Harrison County Sheriff's Department entered a high speed chase Wednesday afternoon in hot pursuit of a suspected bank robber, which took them from D'Iberville, through Hancock County, and into Louisiana, where they caught their man.

A press release from the sheriff's department said that Nathan Derrick Pettus, 21, of New Orleans, entered the Union Planters Bank in D'Iberville about 2 p.m. Pettus walked up to the counter, handed the teller a note demanding

money, and displayed a handgun which was stuck in his belt, the press release said.

The teller gave Pettus an undetermined amount of money, and he fled the scene, according to the release.

A bank employee was able to give officers a description of the vehicle, which fled towards I-10, police said. Harrison County Sheriff's Deputy John Marr and Lt. Tony Sauro spotted the vehicle as it entered I-10 at the Canal Road exit, at a high speed, the release said.

Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber yesterday said that five units from his unit aided in the chase, along with

officers from the Mississippi Highway Patrol, the St. Tammany Sheriff's Department, Louisiana State Police and Mississippi Fish and Wildlife. Officers made an attempt to stop the vehicle but were not successful, and followed the suspect at speeds up to 100 mph all the way through Hancock County to St. Tammany Parish, where they apprehended the suspect without further incident.

Pettus was placed in the Harrison County Adult Facility pending a Preliminary Hearing before a Justice Court Judge. Bond was set at \$250,000 by Judge Ray.

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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce *Business After Hours* set for this evening from 5 to 7, sponsored by Southern Title, 807 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis.

Southern Title will also have a ribbon cutting at 4:30 p.m. prior to the Chamber's *Business After Hours*. The chamber's After Hours is a time when members and guests can get together and enjoy some snacks and refreshments. I have been told there will be some good snacks and refreshments. I hope to see you at the After Hours this evening.

T-Ball registrations for the Bay St. Louis League will continue Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis baseball complex on Athletic Drive next to McCullough stadium.

This league is for children who are 4 years of age on or before June 1, 2001, and those who do not reach 5 years of age before July 31, 2001.

There will be an entry fee of \$40 due at the time of registration, and a copy of the child's birth certificate is needed.

I always enjoy watching the T-Ball players play, as you never really know what they will be doing. They are really at a learning stage, and I am sure the 4-year-olds will have a great time.

For further information on the league, call Mary Turcotte at 466-9400.

Waveland's Little League baseball is cranking up for the coming season with registrations at several locations on Saturdays during February.

Waveland's Little League consists of Tee Ball, ages 5-6; Minor League, ages 7-8; Minor League, ages 9-10; and Major League, ages 11-12.

Registration fees for the league during February is \$30 for the first child, \$20 for the second child, and \$10 for each additional child in a family. A birth certificate is needed for registration.

Registration time is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Elmwood Bourgeois Park, Waveland Ball Fields, McDonald's, Highway 90, and other locations.

As the season begins there is a need for volunteers as managers, coaches, assistant coaches, umpires, scorekeepers, parent auxiliary members and other helpers.

Little League Baseball is a wonderful thing for our youngsters. The kids have a great time, and league play gives them things to do when school is out.

There are many who have been helping with league play for many years, and there is always more opportunities for other volunteers.

We have to remember that our youngsters of today will be our leaders of tomorrow.

If you are interested in further information about the Waveland Little League Baseball program, give a call to Leo, 466-2634; Leonard, 466-3400; or Don at 463-0092.

The Hancock County Little League Girls Fastpitch Softball playing at the Lakeshore Field is also holding registrations during February on Saturdays for girls ages 5-18.

The girls league is also seeking volunteers as managers and umpires.

Registration time is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sites for Saturday, Feb. 10 are Waveland Wal-Mart, Diamondhead Supermarket, and Lakeshore Field; Feb. 17, Waveland Sav-A-Center and Bay St. Louis Winn-Dixie; Feb. 24, Waveland Market Center, Pass Christian Winn-Dixie and Lakeshore Field.

Application fee is \$25, and a birth certificate is also needed. For addition information call 467-1291, 467-9796, or 467-6598.

Christmas in April sounds a bit out of line, yet each year it means very much to several homeowners in Hancock County



## Letters to the Editor

### It's nice to have our new president . . .

To the Editor:  
How nice it is to have our new president. It's like a cool breeze on a hot, humid, summer day. It's refreshing.

It's nice to have a president who's genuine and sincere; who lives by and professes traditional moral values and ethics, gives credit where credit is due, *doesn't* believe he's above the people and the law, and knows he's accountable to the people. It's nice he *doesn't* believe the end justifies the means.

It's nice to have a president who believes we're all Americans equally, and all deserve the same consideration from our government; that those of us who've created personal wealth through hard work, sacrifice, risk taking, and perseverance have as much right to keep more of our money as anyone.

It's nice our new president knows the government can't be everything for everybody. It's

nice he knows it's the people *living* in the community, not the federal government, who should personally be helping those who need it; that it works better when local people empower local people to succeed. That way it's done through love and caring, not by government bureaucrats.

This allows both the giver and the recipient to benefit from the spiritual blessings that accrue. That's the way it should be done. That's one of the things that helped make this country great.

It's nice to *not* hear our president create envy and strife between different groups of our society; to *not* hear him use gross exaggerations, scare tactics, fear mongering, half-truths that do not resemble the whole truth, and lies to sway and bend our opinions.

It's nice to *not* think about what my president wants to take from me next. It's nice to

*not* think about which one of my constitutional rights will be done away with because it stands in the way of his utopian New World agenda.

It's nice to know he will *not* try to sacrifice our national sov-

ereignty for a one-world order.

It's nice to have our new president, George W. Bush, who wants to be president of all the people, *one nation, under God.*

Bernard Wolfe  
Bay St. Louis

### What part of 'handicapped' don't people understand?

To the Editor:  
This has been a problem for quite some time, but in the last two weeks it's gotten worse.

There is a gas station on Hwy. 90 where the handicap parking spot is right next to the telephones.

Time after time I see cars parked in this spot while they're on the phone or inside buying something.

I'll bet two out of the last 100 cars that I've seen parked there had the handicap plate or sticker.

The police frequent there every day, and not once have I seen them say anything to anyone.

The worst part about it is that I asked a city supervisor if she was handicapped. Her

response was, "I was just using the phone."

What is 20 extra steps to use the phone? I have very close friends who are handicapped and in wheelchairs. Ask them what 20 extra steps would mean.

Whether it's a city official or otherwise, people need to pay attention. Those parking spots are for the handicapped!

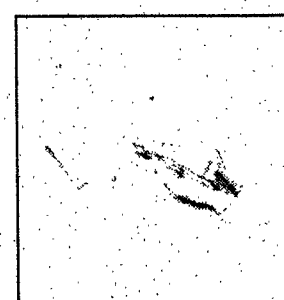
As my husband says, "Yes, he's disabled, but until he's no longer able to walk he won't use the handicap parking spot."

Just think, 20 more steps will probably do you some good. Please people, pay attention to the signs. You never know, some day it could be you!

Charlene Bourgeois  
Bay St. Louis

### Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



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### Pearlington is not your dump!

To the Editor:  
I moved to Pearlington a year ago. It's a beautiful little town with very old oak trees everywhere, the Pearl River, bayous, swamps and friendly people, but with one big flaw. Everywhere you go there's trash, trash, trash.

I've tried to ignore the washers, dryers, sofas, beds, metal and wood thrown along the roads and woods, but it only got worse.

I called supervisors, county barn, everyone, but to no avail. I asked to have 'No Dumping' signs put up, but I have not seen them yet.

Pearlington is not a dump. It is people's homes and playground.

I have heard it said, "Well, the dump is so far." But, would you dump your appliances, furniture, etc. on your road where you pass every day where you try to enjoy the beauty? I think not.

Well, don't think it will always be as easy to dump, because I've asked the police to patrol more, and I'll have an eye out for these people who so carelessly dump their trash.

Thanks,  
Lynn Paul  
Pearlington

By State Auditor  
Phil Bryant

**GENERAL**  
Q Must the proceeds of the motor vehicle rental tax collected pursuant to Section 27-65-231 be shared with the city and county school districts?

A Yes, the tax proceeds must be distributed among the county, municipality and school district of the situs, as appropriate, in the same manner that motor vehicle ad valorem taxes would be distributed.

The tax proceeds are only

shared with each appropriate taxing entity in which the situs of the rental transaction is located, be it a municipality, school district, or both.

The statute grants no discretion to the Board of Supervisors to make distributions of these funds to any other taxing entities within the county.

(Attorney General's opinion to Barry dated December 8, 2000)

Q What types of contracts are subject to Section 31-5-51(7), which requires a contractor to

demonstrate \$1,000,000 of general liability insurance for contracts exceeding \$5,000?

A Section 31-5-51(7) applies to contracts for construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work; and does not apply to such things as hauling or disposing of waste tires.

#### SCHOOLS

Q May a private organization utilize a school facility to raise private funds for the organization?

A Section 37-7-301(s) allows

school boards to determine whether an organization's function is "beneficial to the official or extracurricular programs of the school" in which case payment is not required for use of the school facility.

If a private organization utilizes a school building to raise funds for the organization, it should provide reimbursement of a reasonable amount for use of the school facilities.

(Attorney General's opinion to Lowrey dated December 28, 2000)

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## Lampley announces candidacy for Ward 3, BSL

Connie Payne Lampley has announced her candidacy for reelection to the office of Councilwoman, Ward Three of Bay St. Louis.

Lampley is a 1976 graduate of Bay High School and attended Dillard University in 1976-1978, where she majored in business administration. She obtained a diploma in data processing from Phillips Business College. Lampley is the daughter of Gloria Payne and the late Milton S. Payne. She is married to Gregory B. Lampley and has one daughter, Janell.

An active member of Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church, Lampley currently serves as chairperson on the youth ministry board and she is a member of the United Methodist Women Organization.

She is a board member for Avenues for Success, an organization designed to help at-risk adolescents. She is an active member and former captain of the Krewe of Real People and serves on the Bay-Waveland Headstart Community/Parent Board.

"During my tenure as councilwoman for Ward Three, I have worked diligently on the \$1 million-plus drainage project to ensure adequate water flow on the streets of Bay St. Louis.



Connie Lampley

I've also worked to see that several streets in Ward Three were paved and striped."

"Improvements have been made to Martin Luther King Park, and Ward Three now has a newly-erected football-soccer field to be enjoyed by the youth of our community."

"The City Yard fence has been completely reconstructed and expanded. I'm currently working on property cleanup to enhance the neighborhoods of Ward Three. My goal is continued progress in Ward Three to make it a community we can all be proud of."

## Dr. Knight featured at BWGC meeting

The Bay-Waveland Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting today, Feb. 8 at 3 p.m. at the club center at 114 Leonhard Avenue. Guest speaker is Dr. Patricia Knight, horticulturist with the Mississippi State Extension Service.

Dr. Knight will present a program on "Shade Gardens,"

reporting on the many new varieties of annuals that are suited for planting in shaded areas.

The public is invited to attend Dr. Knight's presentation which begins at 4 p.m. For information, contact Kathy Fernandez, club president, at 463-7257.

## Operation Wake-Up! honors community leaders

Operation Wake-Up! is making plans to celebrate Black History Month with a salute to community leaders Saturday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center on Longfellow Road in Bay St. Louis.

Operation Wake-Up! will hold its third annual Black History program, "A Blast to the Past." Theme will be "Passing the Torch from one Generation to the Next."

There will be a special trib-

ute to the late Chief Douglas J. Williams.

Other honorees include Al Showers, Maurice Singleton Jr., Gwendolyn Ishem, Father Theriault, Lilly Sams, Daisy Bell, Bernice Hawkins, Myra Haynes, Shannon Garrett and Aurora Robinson.

Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Sponsors include Coast Electric, City of Bay St. Louis, Peoples Bank and the Williams and Whavers families.

## St. Ann-St. John Church News

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but be a new and different person with a fresh newness in all you do and think. Then you will learn from your own experience how His ways will really satisfy you.

Romans 12:2  
May the world not mold me today, but may I be so strong as to help mold the world. Amen.

On Sunday, Feb. 18, there will be a Youth Mass at 10:30 a.m. at St. Ann Church in Clermont Harbor. CCD classes

are on Mondays at 3:45 p.m. in the school building. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before all masses and any time by appointment. Call the St. Ann rectory at 467-4748. Pre-baptismal instruction for parents and godparents is held the last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Please notify the rectory of the names of those who desire to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick or the Sacrament of Reconciliation at home.

## St. Monica Guild hosts tea

Saint Monica Guild of Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian will host its annual Valentine Silver Tea Friday, Feb. 9, 3-5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Wood Jr., 985 Second Street.

Saint Monica Valentine Tea has become a tradition since it began in 1930.

The support and proceeds are used in the community and in the outreach programs of Trinity Episcopal Church.

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throughout the courtesy of several concerned citizens, organizations, industries and businesses.

Christmas in April is a nationwide non-profit organization that provides a one-day home repair rehabilitation service for needy homeowners.

The local committee evaluates and selects home repair projects referred by area churches, civic organizations, and individuals.

The special day for

Christmas in April will take place Saturday, April 28.

There are a number of local participating organizations, and more can be added to the list as there are many deserving residents to be considered.

Becky Rotundo is chairman of the local Executive Committee and can be reached at (228)-698-5328 for further information.

We will also give you more information on Christmas in April as the day nears.

## Arbor Day celebration Feb. 9 includes free trees

Come by and pick up your free trees in celebration of Arbor Day at the Hancock County Courthouse steps starting at 8:30 a.m. until all trees are gone on Friday February 9.

Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District has again this year donated these trees to add to the beauty of our county.

Assisted by the Mississippi Forestry Commission and the Hancock County S.W.C.D. Auxiliary, the trees will be distributed on a first-come first-served basis until all trees are given away.

Trees available are: Bald Cypress, (Green Ash, Shumard Oak, Chestnut Oak, and Overcup Oak. Programs to observe Arbor Day will be presented at all the elementary schools of the area for three days by Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District and Mississippi Forestry Commission. Teaching the students the importance of trees to our environment and how much we depend on them for our everyday needs.

So drop by and pick up your free tree and plant a tree for Hancock County.



## Mississippi National Teen-ager scholarship deadline nears

The Mississippi National Teen-ager Scholarship Foundation invites teens to apply to participate in the 30th Mississippi National Teen-ager Scholarship Program, March 23-25 at Millsaps College in Jackson.

The program includes two divisions: juniors, ages 12-15, and seniors, ages 16-18.

There will be a winner and four runners-up in each division.

Prizes include two \$1,000 savings bonds and more than \$100,000 in tuition scholarships to various universities. Two students will be flown to Opryland in Nashville, where they will compete in July for a \$10,000 and \$5,000 cash scholarships and numerous \$1,500 savings bonds.

The National Teen-ager Foundation has a non-profit, 501C3 status. Admission counselors from the following universities were in attendance last year:

University of Southern Mississippi, University of Mississippi, Delta State, Belhaven College, Mississippi College, Mississippi University for Women, Hinds Community College, Jackson State University, Blue Mountain College, Mississippi State, and William Carey.

For more information, contact Laura Arnold, 508 Brentwood Drive, Madison, MS 39110, (601) 898-1759. You may also visit website [www.nation-alteen.com](http://www.nation-alteen.com).

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Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, have a class B driver's license with a passenger endorsement, or be prepared to obtain a class B driver's license with a passenger endorsement, and be available upon call.

Bus driver beginning salary is \$5804.33. Bus drivers work 182 days (9 1/2 months) each school year. Hours are approximately 6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. each morning and 2:20 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. each afternoon.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS include 3 SICK DAYS, 2 PERSONAL DAYS, and RETIREMENT. THE DISTRICT PAYS EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE. Optional dental insurance is available at employee's expense.

For those interested in applying, call (228) 255-7141.



## QUALIFYING AS CANDIDATE FOR THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS

The deadline for qualifying as a Democratic candidate, Republican candidate, and Independent candidate is Friday, March 2, 2001 at 5:00 p.m.

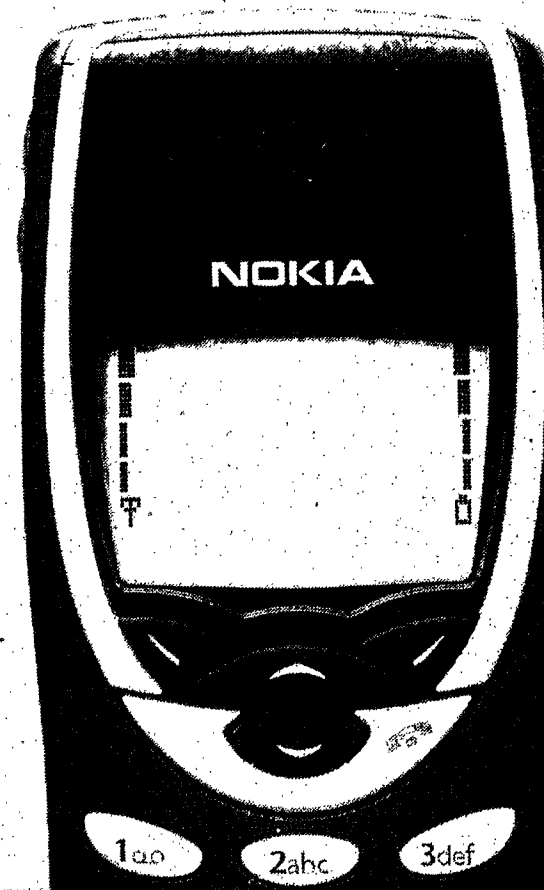
The first Primary Election is scheduled for May 1, with the RunOff May 15 and the General Election scheduled for June 5.

Qualifying papers can be picked up at City Hall Annex, 111 Court St. between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

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# Obituaries

**NANCY K. AVARY**  
**ARTHUR D. BALCH**  
**FAYE BILLS**  
**HATTIE W. LADNER**  
**KAY H. MCARTHUR**  
**THOMAS E. NECAISE**  
**JOHN PURSLEY, II**  
**LULA M. SAUNDERS**  
**BRENDA SCELSON**  
**CLARENCE SCHINDLER**  
**CHARLES WALKER**  
**CLEVELAND WYATT, JR.**

## NANCY K. AVARY

Nancy Kim Merritt Avary, 45, of Pass Christian, died Feb. 1, 2001 in Gulfport.

Ms. Avary was a native and lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast. She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church and was a graduate of American Beauty School.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Jonathan Merritt.

Survivors include her parents, Richard and Doris Merritt of Pass Christian; a son, Jonathan Avary of Livingston, Tenn.; a brother, Peter B. Merritt of Houston, Texas; two sisters, Linda Merritt Doucet of Washington, La., and Doris Merritt Winters of Long Beach.

Visitation was Tuesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian followed by graveside services at St. Joseph Cemetery at Rotten Bayou.

Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian was in charge of arrangements.

## ARTHUR D. BALCH

Arthur Diehl Balch, 51, of Huntsville, Ala., formerly of Pass Christian, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2001.

Born in Wilmington, N.C., he spent his young years in Huntsville before moving to Pass Christian in 1965. He was a 1967 graduate of St. Stanislaus and attended the University of Mississippi and the Jefferson Davis campus of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College. An electrician by profession, he was with Local 903-International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers until he retired due to visual disability.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jackson McCaleb Balch.

Survivors include his mother, Janet Diehl Balch; two sisters, Jane Diehl Smith and husband Gibson Smith Jr. of Charlotte, N.C. and Margaret Balch Kelly of League City, Texas; three brothers, Michael Henry Balch and wife Elizabeth of Huntsville, Ala., Jackson McCaleb Balch Jr. and wife Kimberly of Gulfport and Victor Denton Balch of Madison, Ala.; a niece, seven nephews, a great-niece and two great-nephews.

The family prefers memorial donations to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, St. Stanislaus College, 304 South Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or a charity of one's choice.

Visitation was Wednesday morning at St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian followed by celebration of Mass and burial in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

## FAYE BILLS

Faye Bills, 70, of Temple, Texas, died Sunday, Jan. 28, 2001, in Temple.

Mrs. Bills was a graduate of King's Daughters Hospital School of Nursing and attended Temple Junior College. She owned her own design and fabrication business. She was a member of the Church of Latter-day Saints.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Bills of Temple; two sons, Mars Webb Jr. of Temple and Paul Webb of Austin, Texas; three daughters, Karen Webb of Pass Christian, Mindy Sicking of Plano, Texas and Glenda Webb of Seattle, Wash.; two stepdaughters, Donna Duff of Missouri and Linda Bills of Bryan, Texas; two stepsons, Lynn Bills of Bolton, Texas and Roger Bills of Manor, Texas; four brothers, Joe Lee Matlock of Midland, Texas, O'Neal Matlock of Ft. Worth, Texas, Grant Matlock of California, and Don Matlock of Alamo, Texas; and a sister, Nancy Matlock.

Funeral services were conducted at Harper-Tatasek Funeral Home with burial in Backham Cemetery.

## HATTIE W. LADNER

Hattie Woods Ladner, 77, of Kiln, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Ladner was a member of St. Matthew Catholic Church in the White Cypress community.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wesley Joseph Ladner; her parents, Richard and Bessie Hickman Woods; two brothers, Wiley Woods and Warren Woods; and two sisters, Olivia Johnson and Opie Saucier.

Survivors include three sons, Randall Ladner, Joe Ladner and Pat Ladner, all of Kiln; two daughters, June Ladner Camp of Pass Christian and Pamela Ladner McGuire of Gulfport; a brother, Otis Woods; a sister, Ofelia Niolet, both of Kiln; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday evening at St. Matthew Catholic Church. Services were conducted Tuesday at the church followed by burial in Alphonse Malley Memorial Cemetery.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

## KAY H. MCARTHUR

Kay Hymel McArthur, 50, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. McArthur was a native of Convent, La. and a resident of Hancock County for more than 30 years. She was a Catholic and was employed with NASA at Stennis Space Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim McArthur; and her father, Whitney J. Hymel, Sr.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Connie and Clarence Miller of Lusher, La.; a stepdaughter, Kyndra Mayo of Bay St. Louis; a brother, Leslie Hymel of Gainesville, Ga.; two sisters, Joan Oubre of Gretna, La. and Elizabeth Louque of Reserve, La.; and two step-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Friday, Feb. 9, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel.

## THOMAS E. NECAISE

Thomas E. "Buddy" Necaie, 63, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Necaie was a native of Hancock County and a lifelong resident of Harrison County. He was a member of Glass Molders Pottery-Plastics and Allied Workers International Union, and retired from Chattanooga

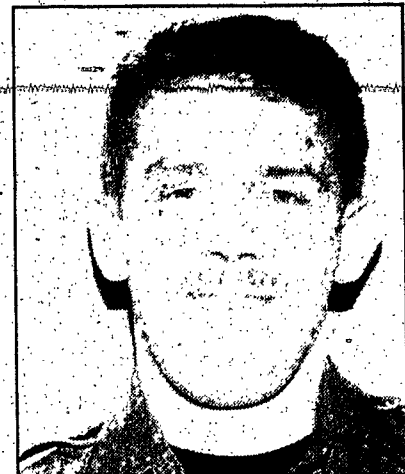
Glass of Gulfport and the Harrison County Road Department, Beat 3. He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Colestus Necaie; and sons Tommy Necaie and Phelan Necaie.

Survivors include his wife, Letsy Necaie, of DeLisle; sons, Raphael Necaie and Stephen Necaie, both of DeLisle, and Stanley Necaie, of Bay St. Louis; daughter, Stacy Dubuison of DeLisle; brothers Robert Necaie and Eugene Necaie, both of DeLisle; three sisters, Margaret O'Sheilds and Patsy Woods, both of DeLisle and Mary Evelyn Necaie of Kiln; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A visitation will be held today at Riemann Funeral Home Chapel in Bay St. Louis from 6-10 p.m.

Funeral services will be Friday, Feb. 9, at St. Ann's Catholic Church at Dubuison at 11 a.m., with a one-hour visitation before the service. Burial will follow at the Standard Sandhill Cemetery.



## JOHN PURSLEY, II

John Edward Pursley, II, 29, of Waveland, died Sunday, Feb. 4, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Pursley was a native of Oxnard, Calif. and a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a graduate of Bay High School. Specialist Pursley served in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1990 to 1994 as an Airborne Ranger. After being honorably discharged he was employed as a security officer at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis until 1997. In 1998 he began service as a patrolman with the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Corliss K. Pursley; his grandfather, Ogden Kergosien; his grandmother, Vania Kergosien; and an uncle, William E. Pursley.

Survivors include a son, Jordan Pursley; a daughter, Alysha Pursley; his father, John E. Pursley, Sr.; a sister, Stephanie R. Pursley; his fiancée, Niccola Livingston; his grandparents, Dr. Paul A. Pursley and Helen Edwards Pursley; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be today, Feb. 8, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by services. A graveside service will follow in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers memorials to Hope Haven in care of the Hancock County Youth Court, 126 Court Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

## LULA M. SAUNDERS

Lula Mae Rivers Saunders, 81, of Okolona, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 2001, in Okolona.

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Mrs. Saunders was born June 22, 1919, and was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church of Meridian.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James "Jumbo" Pittman Saunders; her mother, Clara Culpepper; her father, James Andrew Rivers; and a grandson, Thomas Lamar Morgan Jr.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandra Sibley of Diamondhead and Jane Faye Morgan of Orange Park, Fla.; a brother, Robert Blanks Rivers of Meridian; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at Webb Funeral Home in Meridian. A graveside service followed at Magnolia Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to First Baptist Church of Meridian or the church or charity of one's choice.

## BRENDA SCELSON

Brenda Ann Tartavouille Scelson, 52, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, Feb. 5, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

## CLARENCE SCHINDLER

Clarence George Schindler, 82, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Schindler was a native of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Catholic Faith and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. He was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Army in World War II, where he received the Good Conduct Medal, Bronze Star and World War II Victory Medal.

He was preceded in death by his parents, August and Alma Bordages Schindler; four brothers, Emile, Leo, Charles and Raymond Schindler; four sisters, Alice S. Peterson, Clara S. Garriga, Margaret S. Carver and Annie Schindler; and grandson Darin Bilbo.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian G. Schindler; two sons, Warren Schindler of Lake Charles, La. and Edmond Schindler of Bay St. Louis; four daughters, Beverly S. Ladner and Kathleen S. Sick, both of Bay St. Louis, Lyndall S. Bilbo of Kiln and Mary Ann S. Pucheu of Waveland; a sister, Ethel S. Green of Bay St. Louis; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held Friday, Feb. 9, from 9-10:45 a.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, with interment to follow at Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery & Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

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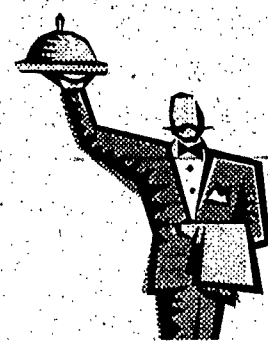
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through the construction of an extensive collection system linking Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Hancock County Sewer and Water District, Diamondhead, Port Bienville Industrial Park, Stennis International Airport, Pearlinton, and Kiln with the options of adding other customers later.

The plan proposes that these areas fall under the veil of Southern Regional Wastewater Management District in Waveland, as the governing authority for them all, with the treatment plant in Diamondhead acting as a back-up, and the possibility of those areas located north of I-10 linking up to the Diamondhead plant, should they decide to participate.

Another key factor in the plan is the possibility of switching to spray fields as a discharge point for treated wastewater, rather than the present system of discharging treated wastewater into area waterways. Court-ordered requirements to set Total Maximum Daily Loads are expected to force the county to reinvent and reassess practices of discharging treated wastewater in county waterways.

The GMP became involved in the county's wastewater treatment dilemma last August, at the invitation of county officials, who were given what was basically a deadline by the Department of Environmental Quality to "get it together" with a cooperative treatment plan for the entire county. At that time, DEQ officials said they had been getting mixed signals and contradictory plans from local agencies concerning the issue. At the same time, many facilities were realizing that with expanded growth and new TMDL standards, present systems were reaching capacity and would require upgrades. Communities were also facing extensive renovations to the sanitary sewage collection systems which were

proving inadequate during periods of heavy rains and usage. Questions were also raised about the possibility that unsewered homes with private septic systems (particularly in the northern portion of Hancock County) were contributing to high concentrations of fecal coliforms in surrounding surface water.

Since that time, the county has been working diligently with the GMP, at regular workshops, to develop a plan which would encompass a 20-year projection of estimated growth in the county. USR Corporation was contracted to assist the GMP to evaluate a range of conceptual options and provide recommendations for the most cost-effective and environmentally-beneficial solutions to wastewater collection and treatment.

Three basic scenarios were considered for the project: individual systems; a new centralized plant; or a system linked to the present treatment plant in Waveland, with Southern Regional Wastewater Management District as the governing authority. At present, all of the districts except Diamondhead have expressed their approval for the linked system, one that would save the county roughly half the cost of operating and maintaining separate facilities and loan repayments.

Should Diamondhead choose not to participate, the cost-per-month for the county would be \$270,000 a month for operations, maintenance and loan repayment, spread among a present population of 42,000 in the county. If Diamondhead does participate, the costs would drop to \$229,000 per month, a large savings for the county and a safety net for Diamondhead, whose approximately 7,000 residents would become responsible for all future upgrades to meet new federal and state guidelines if they remain a separate entity.

All cost estimates were

based on the assumption that 100 per cent of the funding would come from 20 yr. SRF loans. Costs could drop substantially with the receipt of state or federal grant funds.

The beauty of the linked system is that it spreads all costs across a large population base, thus reducing the burden on individual communities for startup costs, said Griffith. It also frees up funds in other communities for upgrades to outdated sanitary sewage collection systems. The need for individual treatment system permits is also eliminated, thus freeing individual communities from this liability, said Griffith. And most exciting of all, it allows the entire county to come together to address the goal of getting all treated effluent out of our waterways, Griffith said.

Possibilities for land-based discharge of treated effluent are irrigation for timber, sod or hay farms, or wetlands restoration, among others. It will require a change in the way we look at things, said Griffith, but this water is supposed to be clean enough for us to swim in, then it is reasonable to think that it could be cleaned up enough for use in these other industries. Griffith said irrigation of timber, sod and hay farms with treated effluent could make these industries virtually drought-proof.

Griffith also said that switching to a land-based discharge system will benefit the entire county by improving the oyster industry and at the same time improving our appeal as a destination for water recreation such as boating, fishing and swimming.

Planners estimate that the Pearlinton area should come on-line in the next one-to-two years, with the Kiln area following close behind. If Diamondhead decides not to join the county, then Kiln would be linked directly with the plant at Southern Regional in Waveland.

## Black will challenge Favre for mayor

BY MARY G. SEILEY  
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis city council member Tad Black has filed as a mayoral candidate in the Democratic primary against incumbent Mayor Eddie Favre.

The Ward 4 representative, often at odds with Favre on city matters, has been an expected challenger for the seat. Only one contender, Bobby Compretta, has filed as a candidate for the Ward 4 seat so far. In other recent filings, Ward 3 council member Connie Payne Lampley and Ward 2 council member James Thrifflay have entered their names for re-election in the May 1 Democrat primary. Council member at-large Bill Taylor also has filed for re-election in the primary.

The remaining incumbent, Doug Seal, said Tuesday he will file as an independent candidate for re-election.

Seal and Taylor both were put in office through special elections last year. Taylor won the seat vacated by the death of Jimmy Rutherford, and Seal filled the vacancy created by the resignation of Carleen Moran.

The filing deadline for the municipal elections is March 2. The primary election is May 1. If a runoff is necessary, it will be held May 15. The general election is June 5.

## Wastewater meeting date changed to Mon.

The monthly meeting at Southern Regional Wastewater District has been changed to Monday, February 12 at 2 p.m. instead of the usual Tuesday meeting. For information please call 467-3702.

## Chamber to host After Hours today

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Chamber After Hours for February will be today at Southern Title, from 5 to 7 p.m.

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## Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 233

TOPS, MS 233 met Thursday, Feb. 2 at the Waveland Public Library. Best TOPS loser for the week was Beverly with 4 3/4 pounds. Best youth loser was Anna with 1 3/4 pounds. There were 19 members present.

The Incentive Award was won by June who donated it to the club, and the gift was won by Pat, who also donated it to the club. Beverly presented a program about Aspetine.

TOPS 233 meets every Thursday at the Waveland Library. Weigh-ins are 5-5:45 p.m. with the meeting following. Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is

welcome to visit the TOPS 233 chapter. Interested persons are

invited to call Charlotte at 467-5790.

## Bus

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the scene yesterday.

"We transported ten kids by ambulance to Hancock Medical Center. ... We did not see any serious injuries, but we're not really sure yet."

"The bus was stopped in the curve, had its flags out and was letting kids off," Sheriff Steve Garber said, when Biloxi-resident Bruce V. Shook allegedly came around the curve in his 1998 Ford Mustang and into the bus's lane, striking the

front driver's-side fender.

Lt. Ray Billaud of the sheriff's office arrested Shook, charging him with reckless driving. Shook had apparently been drinking, Garber said, but tested under the .10 legal blood-alcohol limit.

Danzy said that as of 5:45 p.m. yesterday, all of the children taken to HMC had been treated for minor injuries and released.

## Obituaries

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### CHARLES WALKER

Charles Edward "Hester" Walker, 56, of Gulfport, died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Walker was born in Hickory and attended Gulfport schools. He was an auto mechanic at Cooks Service Station for about 30 years and was a member of Mercy Seat Baptist Church in Gulfport.

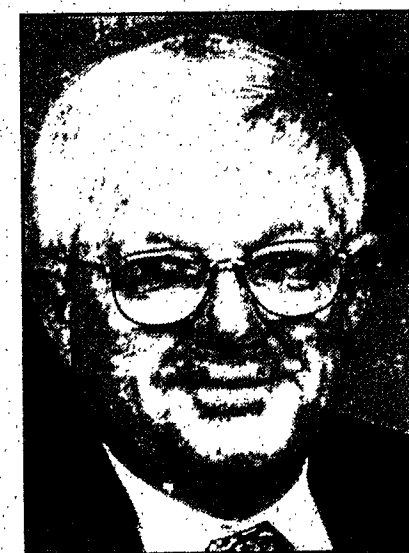
He was preceded in death by his wife, Hattie Lou Harrell Walker; he parents, George and Emma Jane Walker; a brother, Curtis Walker; and two sisters, Annie Jean Walker and Bama L. Howard.

Survivors include a daughter, Constance "Annette" Newsome of Gulfport; five stepchildren, Patricia Darby and John Darby, both of Pass Christian, Ricky Harrell of Sarasota, Fla., Henry Henderson Jr. of Fort Hood, Texas, and David Darby of Gulfport; a brother, Clarence Walker of Milwaukee, Wis.; six sisters, Pauline Walker, Georgia Walker, Joyce Nealous and Nancy Stapleton, all of Gulfport, Catherine Dukes of Chicago and Jean Nugent of Seaside, Calif.; a grandchild; two great-grandchildren; and

his companion, Mary Carter of Gulfport.

Visitation and services were conducted Monday at Mercy Seat Baptist Church in Gulfport. Burial was in Monroe Memorial Park in London.

J. T. Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



**CLEVELAND WYATT, JR.**  
Cleveland Henry Wyatt, Jr., 65, of Kiln, died Monday, Feb. 5, 2001, in Kiln.

Mr. Wyatt was a native of Bay St. Louis and a longtime resident of Kiln. He was a mem-

ber of Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln and was a veteran serving in the U.S. Navy.

He was chairman of the board of the Kiln Fire & Water District and was a former member of the Pearl River Water Basin in Jackson and the Parish Council of the Annunciation Catholic Church. He received from the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce the "Citizen of the Year Award for the Year 2000."

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cleveland and Edwina Haas Wyatt, Sr.; and a brother, Edward Wyatt.

Survivors include his wife, Doris Bennett Wyatt of Kiln; daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Jesse Parker of Kiln; two sisters, Betty Shiyou of Kiln and Louise Depreo of Diamondhead; and two granddaughters, Jessica and Jenna Parker, both of Kiln.

Visitation was Wednesday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated today, Feb. 8 at 11 a.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln, and friends may call one hour prior to Mass. Interment will follow in Bayou Coco Cemetery in Kiln.

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Rose is the author of "Discovering Drawing," a textbook for beginning drawing classes used throughout the United States. With a master's of fine arts degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and a master of education degree from Edinboro, Rose has taught throughout the South, including holding the Gillespie Chair of Art and serving as Art Department chairman at William Carey College. As a professional painter, Rose has a style that portrays a wide range mastery of painting

and drawing techniques, from tight illustrative works to more creative, abstracted pieces.

"We are happy to have Rose join the roster of art educators who present outstanding opportunities for our citizens and neighbors. Ted will present several other workshops throughout the year," said Talle Johnson, director of the Bay Clay Studio.

The workshop is designed for the advanced student. Saturday's class is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. at the Depot, 128 Depot Way.

Students must bring a set of watercolors, assorted brushes, watercolor paper, drawing pencil and board, masking tape, water containers, and plastic tablecloth.

## Hill and Taylor lead effort to protect military retirees

Representatives Baron Hill of Indiana and Gene Taylor of Mississippi called on Congress recently to keep its hands off the money set aside to pay the pensions of men and women who have served in the United States military.

The two congressmen introduced a resolution demanding that the House of Representatives go on record as opposing any effort to spend military retirement funds.

"Hundreds of thousands of men and women have spent their careers serving our country in the Armed Services," Hill said. "The least we can do for them is protect the retirement funds that have been promised them. We need to show our retired and active military personnel that rewarding their service and hard work is a top priority in next year's bud-

get." "At the end of the year 2000, the balance of the military retirement trust fund was \$163 billion," said Representative Taylor. "Unfortunately, this surplus seems to exist only on paper. The men and women who serve in our nation's military have earned this retirement benefit. No matter what their intentions are for the military retirement trust fund, the nation's political leaders must ensure that it is used only for its intended purpose."

Hill and Taylor, who are both members of the House Armed Services Committee, introduced H.Res. 23, the "Military Retirement Protection Resolution," in the House of Representatives.

The Hill-Taylor resolution calls on Congress to refrain from using any of

tile surpluses in the Military Retirement Fund to finance spending increases, tax cuts, or any other purpose other than paying military retirement benefits.

The Department of Defense (DoD) is currently building up funds in the Military Retirement Trust Fund so it will be able to pay out the retirement benefits that current and former military personnel have earned.

In 1999, for example, DoD set aside \$7 billion to pay for future military retiree benefits.

Over the next 10 years, DoD will set aside about \$100 billion to meet the promises our nation has made to military personnel. Under current budget rules, however, military retirement trust funds are counted as part of the on-budget surplus.

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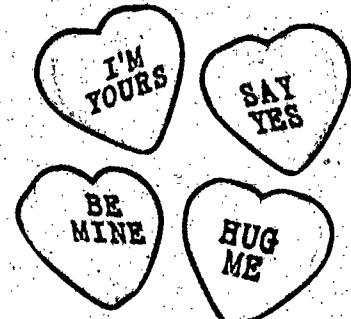
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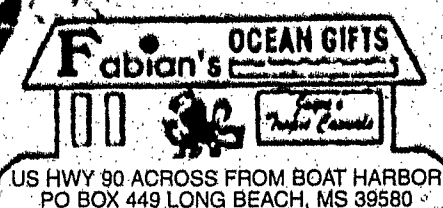
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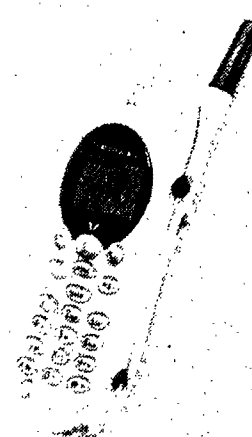
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# SPORTS

## Lady Tigers hold off Lady Tomcats' charge 62-59

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The Bay High Tigers split a pair of games with the Stone County Tomcats in the Tiger Dome on Tuesday, February 6. The Lady Tigers held off a pesky bunch of Lady Tomcats 62-59 for the win while the Tigers fell to Stone County 68-38 in the boys game.

Lady Tigers head coach Debbie Triplett stated, "In the first half, they out-rebounded and forced us into a lot of turnovers. For the game, we did not shoot free throws well at all. Stone has a very good team and they showed why they are leading Division 8 this year. They put a lot of pressure on us tonight. In the fourth quarter, we played much better. We took better shots and played better defense. That helped us hold on for the win."

Stone County jumped out to a 24-16 lead in the first half. Carmen Labat scored on a fast break to tie the game for Bay High at 24-24 with 4:59 left in

the first half. However, Stone was able to take a slim 32-30 lead into halftime.

Shenna Ambrose and Stephanie Reed hit consecutive three-pointers within a 45 second span; however, Stone maintained a 46-45 advantage at the end of three periods of play.

In the fourth period, the Lady Tigers outscored Stone 17-14 to claim the victory. Kendra Reed converted on two free throws with :44 left to play to make the 60-59 in favor of Bay High. With :01 left on the clock, Stone called a timeout and was charged a technical foul due to not having any timeouts available. Stephanie Reed nailed both charity shots to seal the win.

The win gives the Lady Tigers a 24-5 overall record for the year. Ambrose led Bay High with 16 points followed by Carmen Labat with 12 and Kendra Reed with 11 points.

Kaenikia Goff led Stone County with 17 points.

In the boys matchup, the

Tigers played a solid first half and entered halftime down 20-14.

Stone converted on three-point play to end the first half of action. However, in the third period Stone exploded for 26 points and held Bay High to just nine points as they cruised to the win.

Bay High head coach Monty Noblitt commented, "Stone wore us down in the third period. They showed why they are the best in their division. In the

first half, we played our style of game and guarded them very well. Stone showed their athleticism and put some pressure on us in the third. We need to learn how to maintain our composure when the other team goes on a run and just play our game. Stone is a tremendous ball club and we will learn from this."

Bay High will host the d'Iberville Warriors on Friday, February 9, for Senior Night at the Tiger Dome.

## SOCCER. update

### Rocks, Crescents win in soccer play-offs

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-chaws and Our Lady Academy Crescents both rolled to 9-0 shutout victories in the first round of the state soccer play-offs in Bay St. Louis on Saturday, February 3.

The Rocks downed Terry High School while the Crescents disposed of Clarksdale. Neil Favre and Ellen Ladner recorded the shutout wins in goal for SSC and OLA, respectively.

Emily Meyers passed to Rachel Cranford for the winning goal just two minutes into the game for OLA.

Meyers ended the game with two goals and two assists for the Crescents. Other goals were scored by Kara Harshbarger, Katherine Milner,

Julie Reboul, Ashley Chrisman, Lauren Goulet, and Ellie Dauterive.

Harshbarger, Cranford, Reboul, Chrisman, and Jill Rutherford all had an assist for OLA during the game.

The win improves the defending state champion Crescents' record to 22-1-1 overall. OLA played the Mercy Cross Crusaders in Biloxi at Yankee Stadium last night in the state semi-finals. Details of the game were not available at press time.

SSC got two goals from both David Heaps and Kyle Lewis in their rout of Terry High School. Michael Kivlan, Baxter Turfitt, Jeremy Keller, and Jeffrey Hansell all scored in the win. Goalie Neil Favre added the other Rock goal on a penalty kick.

### Rocks advance to semi-finals

The St. Stanislaus Rock-chaws rolled over West Jones 7-0 Tuesday night in a second round contest of the state soccer play-offs.

Peter Doty and Billy Kenny scored two goals each to pace the Rock attack. Matt Powell and David Heaps also scored for St. Stanislaus. The other goal

was knocked in by a West Jones player.

Heaps had three assists for the Rocks. Doty, Michael Leonard and Michael Kivlan also had assists.

St. Stanislaus, 17-5-2, will face the Oak Grove Warriors Friday at 6 p.m. in Jackson at NW Rankin.

### Lady Tigers fall in second round

The Bay High School Lady Tigers were shut out 5-0 by the George County Lady Rebels Tuesday night in the second round of the state 4A soccer play-offs.

The two teams met last year in a similar situation, with Bay High winning in a shoot-out.

The Lady Tigers finish their season with a record of 8-10.

### Soccer clinic

The Centers of Excellence Advanced Training will have a soccer clinic Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. at Popp's Ferry Soccer Complex in Biloxi.

Players born in years 1988, 1989 and 1990 are eligible and are asked to bring a ball and \$20 to cover cost.

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February			
17	Pass Christian (Building Fund)		
20	Moss Point	Away	5 JV 7 V
23-24	Hancock Tournament		
26	St. Stanislaus*	Away	5 JV 7 V
March			
2	Columbia*	Home	5 J 7 V
3	Mercy Cross Tournament		
6	Petal*	Away	5 JV 7 V
9	Pearl River*	Away	5 JV 7 V
10	Hancock*	Away	20 JV 12 V
13	Picayune*	Home	5 JV 7 V
16	Oak Grove*	Away	5 JV 7 V
17	Mercy Cross	Home	10 V
20	Hancock*	Home	5 JV 7 V
23	St. Stanislaus*	Home	5 JV 7 V
24	Hattiesburg/Northsh.	Home	10, 12, 2
27	Columbia*	Home	6 V
30	Petal*	Home	5 JV 7 V
31	Gulfport	Away	11 & 1:30
April			
3	Pearl River*	Home	6 V
6	Picayune*	Away	5 JV 7 V
7	Pass/D'Iberville	Home	10, 12, 2
10	Oak Grove*	Home	5 JV 7 V
19	1st Round Playoffs		

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# BUSINESS NEWS



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## Agency of the year

The Hancock County Food Pantry was recently named "Small Agency of the Year" by the United Way of South Mississippi. In addition to the plaque, displayed by president Alleen Sauzer, the group also received a check for \$1000. The Hancock Food Pantry was founded in 1986 and is an all volunteer organization. It provides food for needy families on an emergency basis. It operates Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. till noon and is located next to the Hancock County Civil Defense office on Ulman Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

## PR group to meet Monday in Gulfport

International professional speaker, consultant and media trainer Gerard Braud will be the guest speaker at the Feb. 12, monthly meeting of the Mississippi Beach Chapter of the Public Relations Association of Mississippi.

He will speak to the group at noon at the Holiday Inn Beachfront in Gulfport on the value of video news releases and how to sell them to top management.

Braud has more than 20 years of personal media experience and is the founder of Braud Communications in Mandeville.

He also facilitated the group's day-long workshop in October where he showed participants how to take some of the fear and mystery out of dealing with the media.

PRAM is a state-wide organization with more than 180 members from every sector - advertising and public relations agencies, corporations, non-profit, government, education, industries and others.

PRAM is a source of expertise and inspiration, and provides a forum for networking with public relations practitioners throughout the state and region.

The Mississippi Beach chapter, as with other PRAM chapters, is a member of the Southern Public Relations Federation and serves coastal Mississippi.

The group meets the second

Monday of each month at noon at the Holiday Inn Beachfront in Gulfport. Cost for lunch at the meetings is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Each meeting features a prominent speaker on a subject of relevance to public relations practitioners.

To join the group or get more information, call Cracchiolo at 214-4493 or Terry Hines Smith, chapter vice president, at 688-1159, or visit the group's web site at <http://thsmith.tripod.com/PRA/MWEBPAGE/>. You can also write to the group at P.O. Box 1172, Gulfport, MS 39502.

## Chiropractor attends seminar

Dr. Deronda D. Ashley of Pass Christian recently attended a two-day postgraduate seminar in Reno, Nev.

Ashley, along with other doctors of chiropractic, their spouses and assistants from various states, heard a series of lectures on the latest research and developments in chiropractic care. Additional lectures provided instruction in advanced techniques of patient care.

Ashley presented a lecture on motivation.

She is a 1994 graduate of Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas.

## USM to host business workshops

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "Thinking About Going Into Business?" on Thursday, Feb. 15, 1:30-4 p.m. at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, 412 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis.

The workshop is for anyone interested in starting a small business and will cover general small business start-up information, such as licensing, taxes, zoning, market research, business planning, and financing.

Fee for this workshop is \$15 per person in advance, and seating is limited.

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a two-part computer workshop, "Advanced Quickbooks For Small Business" on March 7 and March 14, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. at the USM Small Business Development Center Computer Resource Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach.

This eight-hour "hands-on" computer workshop is for anyone who has already attended the Beginners' Quickbooks class or who is familiar with the Quickbooks software.

Fee for this workshop is \$225 and must be paid in advance due to limited seating.

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a computer workshop, "Windows Millennium For Small Business" on Saturday, March 10, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the USM Small Business Development Center Computer Resource Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach. Lunch will be 12 to 1 p.m. on your own.

This "hands-on" computer workshop is for beginners interested in learning the basics of Windows software. Ray Carriere of Global Systems Specialists will be the instructor.

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\$100 per person and must be paid in advance due to limited seating.

To prepay for any of these workshops, mail check (made payable to USM SBDC) to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

For more information, call the USM Small Business Development Center at 228-865-4578.

## LeDuc resigns

Jim LeDuc, general manager of the Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, has announced his resignation from the position as general manager.

LeDuc has accepted a similar position in Phoenix, Ariz. at a larger facility.

The POA Board of Directors has named Charles Livingston as interim general manager.

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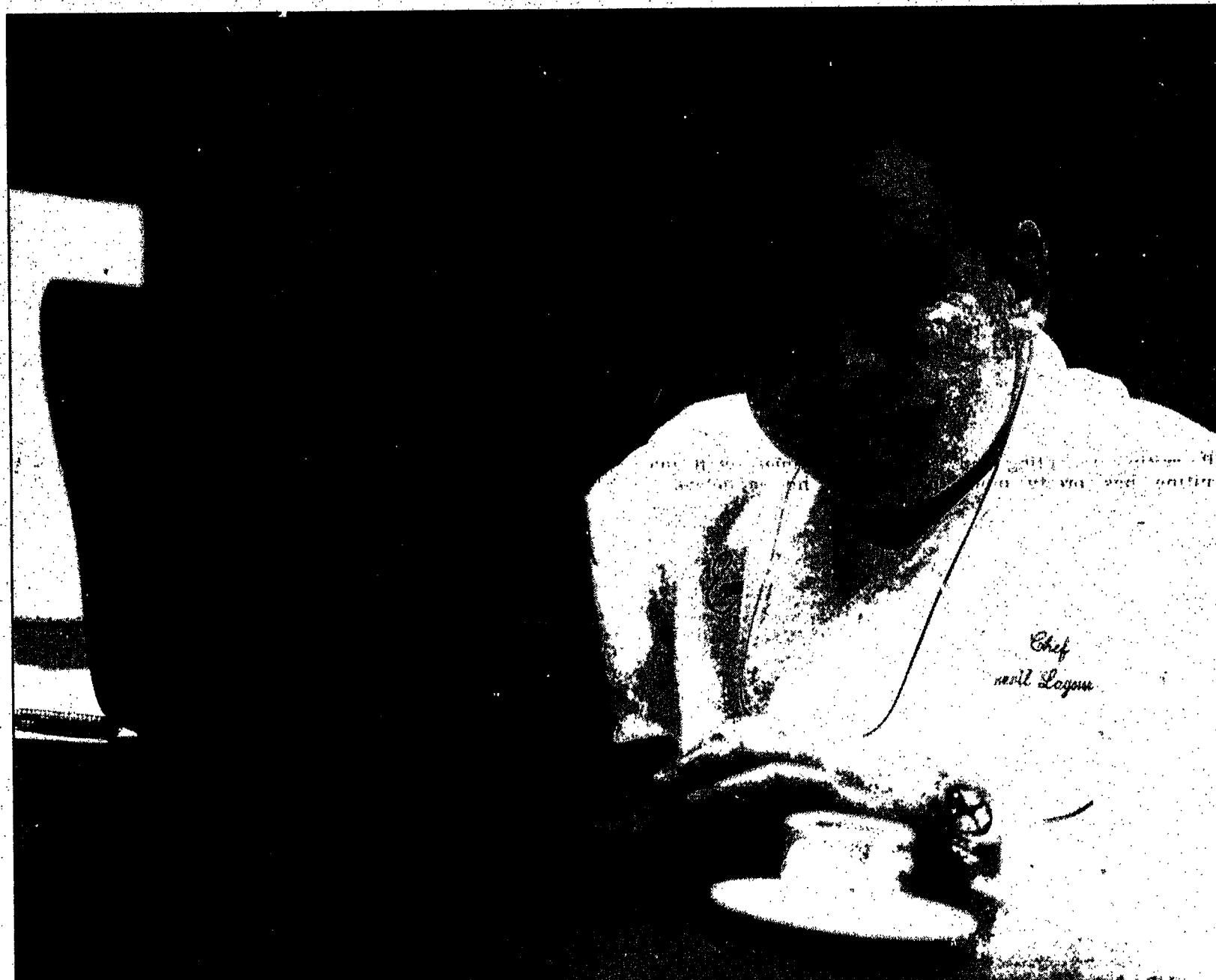
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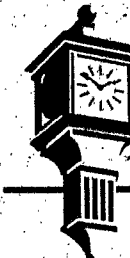
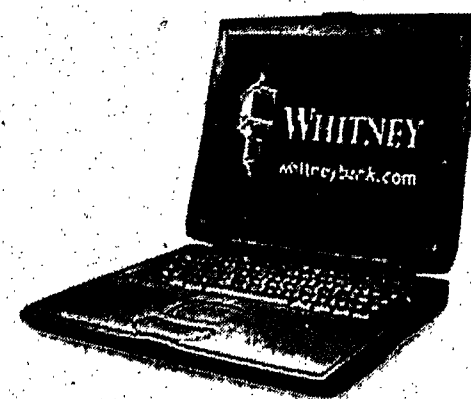


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 COUNTY OF HANCOCK  
 WHEREAS, on the 1st day of May, 1998, Lynda D. Simmons, executrix, did receive a certain Deed of Trust, Michael D. Haas, Jr., Trustee for Nations Funding of MS, Inc. Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hancock, Mississippi in Book 512 at Page 762; and  
 WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Compagnon Corporation, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk, in Book 614 at Page 550; and  
 WHEREAS, on the 7th day of December, 2000, the aforesaid Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 614 at Page 550; and  
 WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the Clerk of the County of Hancock, Mississippi, on 6J 2001, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse, located at the City of St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:  
 Lot 6, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55, Block 219, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, Mississippi; and  
 I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.  
 WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 6th day of January, 2001.  
 JOHN C. MORRIS, III  
 THE SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE  
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and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55, Block 19B, BAYVIEW PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as shown on the map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

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GULF PINES, INC. PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS  
CLAYTON J. AUGUST  
TERRY LEE DOWNEY  
THERESA J. DOWNEY DEFENDANTS  
PUBLICATION SUMMONS  
CASE NO. 2001-085

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WITNESS my signature and official seal this 5th day of February 2001.  
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## (SEAL)

## TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,

## CHANCERY CLERK

## BY: Larnell Scarborough

## 2/8, 2/15, 2/22/2001

## IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

## IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

## OF HAZEL PINO BANISTER

## EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

## HAZEL PINO BANISTER

## CAUSE NO. 2001-085

## Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of February, 2001, in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon Estate of Hazel Pino Banister, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of the said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.

## This 5th day of February, 2001.

## CHARLES MALLORY BANISTER, JR.

## Executor of the Estate of Hazel Pino Banister

## 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2001

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

## Notice is hereby given that the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission is accepting sealed bids for

## all-oak grade 3 ties, 6" x 8" x 1/2" (size #3) and 7" x 9" x 1/2" (size #5) all treated #8 per foot or refusal. A minimum of 1200 grade 3 ties or a combination thereof will be purchased as needed.

## Prices will be quoted per tie for grade and x 7 ties, delivered F.O.B., Port Bienville Industrial Park, Pearl

## Bids must be submitted to: Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, Attn: Railroad Manager, Post Office Box 2267, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521

## OR FEDEX ADDRESS: Hancock County Port &amp; Harbor Commission, Attn: Railroad Manager, 701 Highway 90, Waveland, MS 39576

## Any questions should be directed to the Railroad Operations Manager, Jimmy Carter, at (228) 555-7788

## Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., local time, Friday, March 9, 2001, at the Hancock County Port &amp; Harbor Commission, 701 Highway 90, Waveland, MS 39576

## then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The outside of all bids should be marked "SEALED BID FOR CROSS TIES". The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of opening thereof.

## Hancock County Port &amp; Harbor Comm. Harry J. Farve, Secretary

## 2/8, 2/15/2001

## EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

## No-Till Drill, 10' John Deere, 8 years old, needs some repairs sold as-is, no warranty.

## Sealed bids to be accepted at 16195 Hwy 693/43 Kiln, MS until 3:00 p.m. March 5, 2001.

## Bids will be opened by Hancock County Soil &amp; Water Conservation District Commissioners at Kiln Field Office. Starting bid: \$2,500.00. 228-255-3225. Fax 228-255-6302.

## 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8/2001

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

## WHEREAS, on September 2, 1999, Richard Ben and Valesha Ben, executed a Deed of Trust to Jim B. To-wit, Trustee for the use and benefit of Long Beach Mortgage Company, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 569 at Page 17 thereof; and

## WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Lem Adams, III, as Trustee thereof by its authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 593 at Page 817 thereof; and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and sell at public sale and out to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North Front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, on the 2nd day of March, 2001, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

## LOTS TWENTY-SIX (26) AND TWENTY-SEVEN (27), SQUARE 18, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 5, ADDITION NO. 4, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER THE OFFICIAL MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN PLAT BOOK 1 AT PAGE 43 THEREOF, REFERENCE TO WHICH IS HEREBY MADE IN AID OF AND AS A PART OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

## Title to the above described property is believed to be good but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

## WITNESS my signature, on this the 26th day of January, 2001.

## LEW ADAMS, III

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

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## COUNTY OF HANCOCK

## TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

## WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of January, 2000, Richard Camp and Melinda Gail Pace executed a Deed of Trust to Charlene Roberts Trustee for the benefit of Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 581, Pages 305-309, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Trustee to do, I will on the 8th day of February, 2001, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between 11:00 a.m. o'clock and 4:00 p.m. o'clock, at the Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

## Lot 132, DEER PARK SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, according to the official plat of said subdivision on file in Plat Book 8, Pages 37-41, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

## I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

## WITNESS my signature, upon this the 18th day of January, AD, 2001.

## CHARLENE ROBERTS,

## Trustee

## 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 02/08/2001

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

## WHEREAS, Hollis Lee and Rose Lee executed a Deed of Trust to Tower Loan of Mississippi, Inc. dba Tower Loan of Piquette as beneficiary, with Jack R. Lee as Trustee, which deed of Trust is dated April 22, 1994 and recorded in Book 410 at Page 715 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

## WHEREAS, by instrument dated, October 20, 2000, Tower Loan did appoint John E. Tucker as Substitute Trustee in place and stead of Jack R. Lee, said instrument having been filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on October 23, 2000, and recorded in Book 608 at Page 162-165 of the Land Records in said office; in order to cure and correct the previous foreclosure sale of January 5, 1995 and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment under said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared due, and payable in accordance with the terms thereof, and the holder of that Deed of Trust having called upon me as Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and make foreclosure thereof according to law and the terms of said Deed of Trust;

## NOW THEREFORE, I, John E. Tucker, Substitute Trustee, do hereby give notice that I will offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described real property at the East Front Door of the Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi on February 9, 2001 during the legal hours, such property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and more particularly described as follows:

## Begin at a point 20 feet East and 20 feet South of the Northwest corner of the SW/4 of Section 20, T6S, R15W, Hancock County, MS, THENCE South 310 feet to a point, THENCE East 211 feet to a point THENCE North 310 feet to a point, THENCE West 211 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING; this parcel of land contains 1.5 acres, more or less, and is part of the SW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 20, T6S, R15W, Hancock County, Mississippi.

## I shall convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

## Dated this 4th day of January 2001.

## John E. Tucker, Substitute Trustee

## P.O. Box 6000

## Jackson, MS 39228

## (601) 664-1000

## 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 02/08/2001

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## COUNTY OF HANCOCK

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

## WHEREAS, on the 24th day of February, 2000, ROBERT A. HARRISON, a single person and RESIDENT OF CA. DOREN, a single person, executed a certain Deed of Trust unto William F. Jones, trustee, UNION PLANTERS BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Book 583, Page 267 in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Lands on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

## WHEREAS, on the 26th day of January, 2001, the Beneficiary appointed Cy Faneca as Substitute Trustee, which instrument is recorded in Book 617, Page 1, in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Lands on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of a portion of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust having declared all of the amount due and having requested this sale for the purpose of paying said indebtedness or as much thereof as said sale brings;

## NOW THEREFORE, I, Cy Faneca, Substitute Trustee, will on the 2nd day of March, 2001, in lawful hours, being between the hours of 11:00 O'clock A.M. and 4:00 O'clock P.M., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described real property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

## Lot 14, PINE HILLS ESTATES SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official Plat of said subdivision recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 7, Page 31.

## AND ALSO

## One (1) 1988 Redmond Mobile Home

## Size: 56' x 14'

## Serial Number: 14704747

## together with all improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto belonging.

## I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

## WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 2nd day of February, 2001.

## CY FANCA

## 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2001

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

## WHEREAS, on December 18, 1998, James D. Harkness and Barbara L. Harkness, executed a certain deed of trust to Parre-M. Cabell, Trustee for the benefit of EquiCredit Corporation/Ala. Miss., which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 536, Page 418; and

## WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to EquiCredit Corporation of America by instrument dated September 21, 1999 and recorded in Book 604 at Page 283 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and

## WHEREAS, EquiCredit Corporation of America has heretofore substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated September 12, 2000 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 604 at Page 285; and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, EquiCredit Corporation of America, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale;

## NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on February 9, 2001 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, located at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

## Lot 16, Block 1, Spanish Acres Estates Subdivision to the county of Hancock, State of Mississippi, as per map or plat thereof on file and of record in Plat Book 3 Page 31 of the Plat Records of Hancock County, Mississippi.

## I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

## WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on January 11, 2001

## SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE for

## EquiCredit Corporation of America

## Shapiro &amp; Massey, L.L.P.

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## 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 02/08/2001

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE

## WHEREAS, on September 21, 1995, JOHN C. BURR and DENISE A. BURR executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to Ernest W. Stewart, Trustee for FIRST INVESTORS MORTGAGE CORP., which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 439 at Page 167 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

## WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK by instrument dated September 21, 1995, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 439 at Page 162 in the aforesaid office; and

## WHEREAS, TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK appointed Gerald M. Warren as Substitute Trustee by instrument dated January 19, 2001, filed January 26, 2001, and recorded in Deed of Trust Book 617 at Page 443 of the aforesaid records; and

## WHEREAS, on September 14, 1999, an Order for relief under 11 U.S.C. Chapter 13 was entered by the United States Bankruptcy Court of the Southern District of Mississippi, in Case Number 99-53775 SUB, as Petition filed by JOHN BURR and DENISE BURR; and

## WHEREAS, in the absence of which the stay imposed by Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code would automatically lift without further hearings of pleadings before the Court; and

## WHEREAS, Debtor(s) failed to comply with the aforesaid Order and the stay imposed by Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code automatically lifted; and

## WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, which default has continued for a period of time necessary for the holder to declare the entire unpaid balance immediately due and payable, and TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK, the holder of the Deed of Trust as aforesaid, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to do, I will on the 1st day of March, 2001, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between the hours of 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the North front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

## Being the identical property acquired by John G. Maher from First Bank by Warranty Deed dated June 10, 1992, of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed Book BB-74, page 289 et seq., in the aforesaid office.

## I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

## WITNESS my signature this 31st day of January, 2001.

## GERALD M. WARREN,

## Substitute Trustee

## Gerald M. Warren

## Attorney at Law

## P.O. Box 1506

## Gulfport, MS 39502

## 2/8, 2/15, 2/22/2001

## What's happening at the Bay-Wave Rotary Club



Photo by Bob Hubbard

## Teacher of the Month

William Thomas was selected by his peers as the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club's December Teacher of the Month. Thomas is a teacher at Charles B. Murphy Elementary in Pearlport. Congratulating Thomas in the photo is Pam Metzler, Bay Rotary president.

## Public Notices

## NOTICE

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# Entertainment

## Krewe of Nereids presents 35th annual ball

The Krewe of Nereids treated their guests to a wild ride Saturday evening during their 35th annual ball titled "All Aboard the Orient Express."

All were delighted as the krewe members danced their way through a grand tour of Europe's most beautiful cities on one of the world's most exotic train trips.

The celebration began as the children of Nereids brought forth the 35th anniversary Krewe of Nereids birthday cake. All were reminded of the brilliance of Europe and the fairy tale world of the Ottoman Empire as the Captain appeared in a striking three-dimensional collar of red velvet and red lace, re-embroidered with gold thread and trimmed with rhinestones and red ostrich plumes.

The collar was complemented by her red velvet and red lace dress, with six-inch gold bangles dangling from the cap sleeves and a headpiece to match.

As the tableau unfolded, a series of music and dance extravaganzas displayed the excitement romance and intrigue of European cities from Paris to Istanbul.

Reigning as Queen of Nereids, Doris XXXV was stunning in her gown of black lace with rhinestones and Austrian crystals. The dress was accented with black velvet and regal rhinestone appliques with silver beaded fringe falling from the sleeves.

Her train of black velvet had a wide silver rhinestone border and was trimmed in gold and other mirrored embellishments. A collar of black velvet with ostrich plumes, rhinestones and floral appliques completed her ensemble.

Following the Nereids tradition, the identities of the queen and her maids are never revealed. The costume of King Nereus XXXV matched in



Queen Doris XXXV and King Nereus XXXV

design that of Her Royal Highness.

In a salute to the fabulous cities of Europe, the maids and dukes on the 2001 royal court represented the destinations that have long captured the imaginations of travelers aboard the Orient Express.

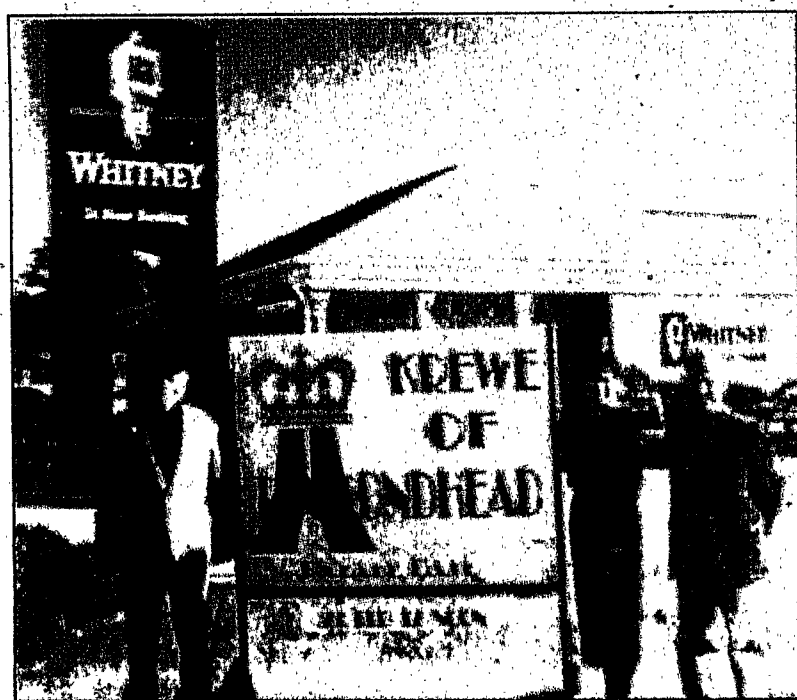
The maid representing "The Alpine Glacier of Innsbruck, Austria," wore a gown of sky blue and white with a princess neckline. It was trimmed in iridescent sequins arranged in a snowflake pattern with a large snowflake medallion in front. Her color-blocked train of blue and white was adorned with a

"petal" motif, while her collar and headpiece carried out the snowflake theme with matching blue plumes.

The "Roman Forum" was recalled as the second maid appeared in a gladiator-style gown of emerald green and fuchsia with a self train embellished by a decorative chariot design.

She wore a gladiator belt with Roman panels and a collar of fuchsia plumes surrounded by gold sequined leaves. The headpiece exemplified Roman architecture, and was complemented by emerald green plumes with a touch of fuchsia.

## Krewe of Diamondhead parade



Krewe of Diamondhead Parade Lt. Chris Arnos; Cindy Vernon, branch manager, Whitney Bank; and Benny Mistretta, captain.

A sign announcing the date and time of the Krewe of Diamondhead parade was put in place by the Whitney Bank in Diamondhead Feb. 1.

Parade Lieutenant Chris Arnos said the parade will form at the Community Center and will start at noon on Saturday, Feb. 24.

The parade will proceed down Gex Drive to the main entrance and turn onto Aloha Drive. The parade will then march to the fire station and turn onto Diamondhead Drive East to Golf Club Drive and end in front of the Diamondhead Country Club, where the King and Queen will review the parade from the royal viewing stand.

The public is invited to view the parade along the whole route and enjoy the revelry of a family-oriented parade.

## Antique car show part of Mardi Gras festivities

St. Paul Carnival Association will host Mardi Gras Cruise In, an antique car show and festival, on Saturday, Feb. 10 at St. Paul Church in Pass Christian.

Registration of cars will begin at 4 p.m. The entry fee is \$15, and the public is invited to view the antique cars for free. Participants may pre-register cars by calling 255-2390 or 255-2997, or they may register on the day of the event.

Several activities are scheduled for the afternoon and evening, including games such as Cardboard Derby, Redneck Basketball, Hula Hoop contest, raffles and more. A 50's sock hop will also be held in the evening. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

On Sunday, Feb. 11 the St.

Paul Carnival Association will hold a fried chicken dinner at St. Paul Gym beginning at 11:30 a.m. Patrons may dine in or come for take out meals. Dinners are \$5.

All proceeds from these events benefit St. Paul School. For information, call the school at 452-7359.

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